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## NHDOT to hold informational meeting on General Sullivan Bridge, Turnpike widening

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) announces a Public Informational Meeting has been scheduled to review the results of the structural evaluation of the existing General Sullivan Bridge and the NHDOT's recommended action to be taken for limiting access over portions of the old bridge until full rehabilitation evaluation can be completed and long-term action plan developed.

In addition, the Department will provide an update on the overall status of design and the construction for the widening of the 3.5 mile section of the Spaulding Turnpike (NH 16), beginning north of Exit 1 in Newington and running northerly to the Dover toll plaza, located just north of Exit 6 (US 4) in Dover.

The public meeting will be held Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014 at 7 p.m., at Dover City Hall, 288 Central Avenue, in Dover. The session will be held in the auditorium.

The purpose of this meeting is to present citizens and public officials with information regarding the proposed project. The meeting is also to solicit public input in order to ensure that project decisions meet public transportation needs, community goals, and protect and enhance the environment. Accordingly, NHDOT assures that this

### Meetings this week:

#### **Planning Board, Aug. 5, 5:30 p.m.**

The Planning Board will hold a site walk on Tuesday, July 29, at 5:30 p.m., on Dover Point Road.

To view the meeting agenda, click [here](#).

For a complete list of weekly meetings, visit [www.dover.nh.gov](http://www.dover.nh.gov).

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit [www.dover.nh.gov/dntv](http://www.dover.nh.gov/dntv).



## CITY OF DOVER, NH

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603-516-6000

**City Hall hours:**  
Monday-Thursday  
8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**Recycling Center hours:**  
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday  
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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project will be administered according to the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all related statutes to ensure nondiscrimination.

Any individuals needing assistance or auxiliary communication equipment due to sensory impairment or other disability, should contact the Bureau of Right-of-Way, NHDOT, PO Box 483, Concord, New Hampshire 03302-0483 or call 603-271-3222 - TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964. Notification for the need of assistance should be made at the earliest convenience.

## Road closures scheduled for Saturday 5K race

Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announces the following road closures and parking restrictions for the Baby Rachel's Legacy 5K run/walk event.

On Saturday, Aug. 2, 2014 at 9 a.m., the following street closures will be in effect, in the direction and during the times noted below:

Central Avenue will be closed in the northerly direction only from Silver Street to Washington Street, briefly to accommodate the start of the race. Southbound traffic will be permitted. (9 to 9:15 a.m.)

Washington Street will be closed from Central Avenue to River Street. (9 to 9:15 a.m.)

Henry Law Avenue, from Washington Street to River Street. (9 to 10 a.m.)

Motorists should expect some delays in the downtown area and also on Court Street, Back Road, Tennyson Avenue, Browning Drive, and Henry Law Avenue which are part of the 5K race route. The start and finish point for this event is at Henry Law Park.

Parking restrictions will be posted on a segment of Henry Law Avenue adjacent to the lower section of Henry Law Park on the day of the event.

This event is organized by the family of Rachel Aube to raise awareness of Anencephaly, a congenital birth defect, and supports other nonprofit organizations as determined by its Board of Directors. More information is available at <http://www.babyrachelslegacy.org>.

Questions about traffic implications may be directed to Sgt. Marn Speidel, Traffic Bureau Administrator, at (603) 742-4646.

## Cochecho Arts Festival this week

The Cochecho Arts Festival's popular Headliner Series continues tonight at 6 p.m. at Henry Law Park.

The annual festival -- now in it's 28th season -- comprises the Children's Series on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., the Farmer's Market performances on Wednesdays at



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3:30 p.m., Shark in the Park concerts on Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m., and the Headliner Series on Friday nights at 6 p.m. In addition, the Festival includes Shakespeare in the Park on Sunday, July 27 and Sunday, Aug. 3, at 4:30 p.m.

Upcoming performances are:

- Friday, Aug. 1, 6 p.m., Occidental Gypsy with Carol Coronis (Sponsored by TD Bank and Measured Progress) Rotary Arts Pavilion, Henry Law Park;
- Tuesday, Aug. 5, 10:30 a.m., Wayne from Maine (Sponsored by CHaD at Wentworth-Douglass Hospital), Rotary Arts Pavilion, Henry Law Park;
- Wednesday, Aug. 6, 3:30 p.m., Tom Schena (Sponsored by Holy Rosary Credit Union) Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, 550 Central Ave.
- Wednesday, Aug. 6, 6 p.m., To Be Annouced (Sponsored by 102.1 and 105.3 The Shark), Rotary Arts Pavilion, Henry Law Park.

All Cochecho Arts Festival events are free to attend and open to the public.

The annual festival is organized by the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce.

For more information, visit  
<http://www.cochechoartsfestival.org>.



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, "Historic Rambles About Dover," by Robert A. Whitehouse, "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" by Robert A. Whitehouse and Cathleen C. Beaudoin, and

several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Institute Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located at <http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/cityof.htm>.



**Aug. 2, 1855** - A Horse mackerel weighing over 1,400 pounds was caught by Dover fishermen near the Isles of Shoals and exhibited in town last week. (Dover Enquirer)



**Aug. 3, 1648** - The Grand Jury presented Elder Starbuck for disturbing the peace of the church, and for refusing to join with it in the ordinance of baptism; for which he was admonished and discharged.



**Aug. 3, 1896** - Alonzo Whitehouse and his wife went to Lynn today on a two-week vacation. Mr. Whitehouse is still an admirer of the top hat and deplores the fact that Dover has given up the custom. (Dover Enquirer)



**Aug. 3, 1933** - The third City Hall burned. The City Hall and Opera house was dedicated Dec. 16, 1891 and cost \$250,000 to build. It featured a floor that could rise and fall, a chandelier with 95 electric bulbs, three tiers of boxes with brass rails, velvet curtains with gold fringe, a frescoed ceiling and a cupid mural. The Opera House had a seating capacity of 1,800 and was the largest stage in New Hampshire. Luminaries such as Jason Robards, Alfred Lunt, Shirley Booth and John Philip Sousa's band graced the stage. The first full-length movie shown here was "Birth of a Nation" starring Lillian Gish.



**Aug. 4, 1864** - The Strafford Guards, after being recruited up to full numbers for the purpose of doing duty for a further term of 60 days, were discharged, and an artillery company from the interior of the State ordered to take their place.



**Aug. 7, 1661** - Dover and Portsmouth were presented for want of a sufficient bridge for horse and foot over Cochecho river. The Court ordered a committee to be chosen from the two towns to view the same and if they found it needful to make a bridge.

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**NIGHT AT THE WOODMAN MUSEUM II**

**Witness The Woodman Museum Come to Life!**

A cast of over 50 will present the second annual Night at the Woodman Museum. Attendees will see the museum come to life after hours and discover the surprising history of the museum, Dover and its residents. See over 20 historical – and hysterical – scenes where characters will share their stories.

**DON'T MISS OUT!**  
Last year's event sold out.

**August 22 • 6-9 PM**  
**August 23 • Matinee 3-5 PM, 6-9 PM**  
**August 24 • Matinee 3-5 PM, 6-9 PM**

**For reservations and tickets, call 603-742-1038**

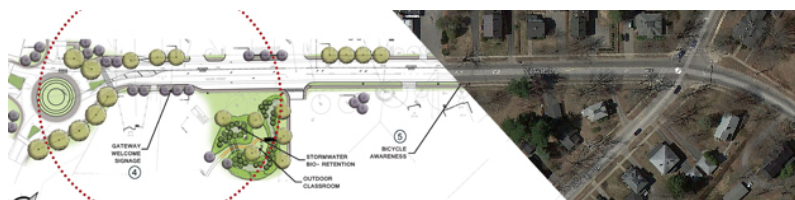


[www.woodmanmuseum.org](http://www.woodmanmuseum.org)  
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## City web page details Silver Street reconstruction project

Following a July 9, 2014 vote of the City Council, the City of Dover is beginning the reconstruction of Silver Street. Work will span from the Spaulding Turnpike Exit 8 ramp to Central Avenue, approximately 4,300 linear feet.

The reconstruction of Silver Street originally started as a water main, street and drainage replacement project.

Since the initial design started, including input from residents, the project has evolved into an upgrade of a gateway to the downtown. The project now consists of water main replacements, drainage improvements including a rain garden near the Woodman Park School, street and sidewalk reconstruction, landscaping, wayfinding, lighting, and traffic signalization improvements.

A new web page dedicated to the project is now online. This resource includes updated information about construction work, neighborhood meetings, important documents, and other related media. In addition, residents can sign up via email for a newsletter with updates about the project.

The web page will be updated throughout the construction process.

To visit the web page, [click here](#).

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## Help Dover shine by supporting Adopt-A-Spot program

Dover Main Street is looking for volunteers to help Dover look its best by joining the Adopt-A-Spot program.

There are 56 Adopt-A-Spot locations throughout the City and 8 are available for adoption.

Adopt-A-Spot began in 1995 as a way to allow the community - businesses, individuals, civic clubs, garden clubs, churches, and other organizations - to maintain a wide variety of public property, including all of the City's parks. Volunteers perform routine maintenance, such as mowing, weeding, litter removal, landscape plantings, painting, and in some cases, minor repairs. Some participants choose to donate funds to help pay for

maintenance or make donations of materials or provide discounts on products or services.

The volunteers who help maintain these sites or make donations help keep the City attractive and reduce the City's maintenance costs.

To pitch in for more information, email [info@dovermainstreet.org](mailto:info@dovermainstreet.org) or visit <http://dovermainstreet.org/projects/adopt-a-spot>.

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## Guided walking tours of historic Dover

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce will once again offer Guided Walking Tours of Historic Dover on Saturday mornings this summer, from May 24 through Sept. 13. Tours begin at 10:30 a.m.

Tours begin at the Dover Chamber and will leisurely stroll through Dover's Historic Downtown area, with numerous stops along the way during which the Guide will point out places of interest, offer historical perspective, and share stories and anecdotes about the people, places and events that have helped shape Dover.

Reservations are recommend and can be made by calling 603-742-2218.

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## City's boards and commissions keep our community vibrant

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the energy and talent of citizen participation on boards and commissions.

The City's boards and commissions encourage public participation, including new members to fill vacant positions.

For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about how to apply for boards and commissions, click [here](#).

To download an application for board and commissions, click [here](#). Completed forms should be returned to the City Clerk's Office. Committee application forms are kept on file for one year from date of submission.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.

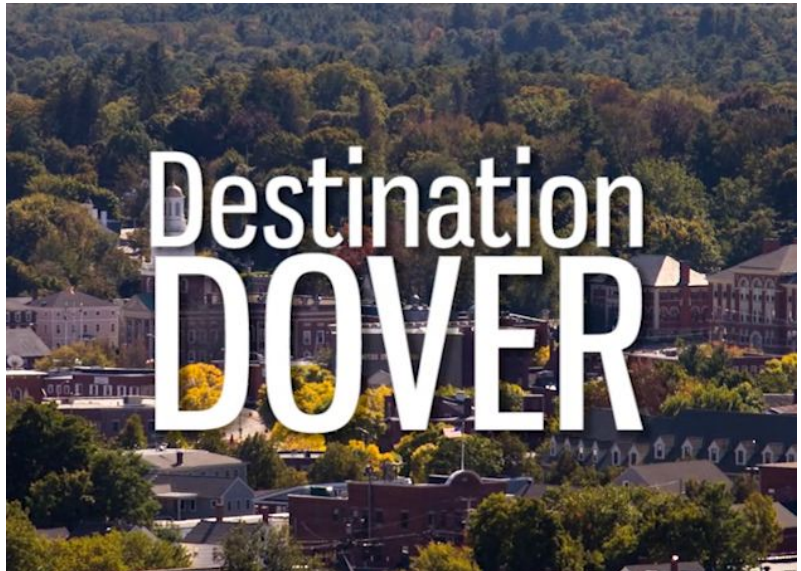
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Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for up-to-date information on what's happening in Dover.

Whether it's the schedule for the Cochecho Arts Festival, art exhibits or where to shop for local products, sign up for Peek at the Week, and you'll be ready for the week ahead.

You can sign up to receive the Chamber's Peek at the Week by e-mail [here](#).

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## Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch it again, online and on demand.

Simply visit the City's website at [www.dover.nh.gov/dntv](http://www.dover.nh.gov/dntv) to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

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